

THEY WERE WOMEN.

Didn't Stop to Think Before Stopping the Crowded Car Going Up Hill.

The car was crowded from one end to the other, and to the front and rear platforms men were hanging on. Slowly it climbed the hill past the Treasury, the horses straining every muscle. Yet, despite the fact that not even standing room could be had, two women stepped out from the sidewalk just as the car was half way up the hill and called to the driver to stop. Much against his will he did so, knowing how crowded the car was and the terrible strain to which his horses would be subjected on starting up. The women, after a glance at the crowd and a moment or two of consultation, finally decided that they could not get aboard, and told the conductor that they would wait for the next one.

"That's something I don't understand," said he, as he rung the bell to go ahead.

"What's that you don't understand?" asked the fat man.

"Why them women," replied the conductor, "couldn't see that the car was too crowded for them to get aboard before they stopped it right on a hill like this."

"Well, my dear fellow," chuckled the fat man, "I'll tell you. It was simply because they were women. If they hadn't been women they would have not only seen that they couldn't get on, but they would also have seen that it was an absolute cruelty to stop horses on a hill with a load like this to pull. If they had thought of it for even a moment they would perhaps have never stopped the car; but as Tom Hood said: 'More evil is wrought by want of thought than by want of heart.'"

DOWN ON BICYCLES.

He Wanted to Get Hurt So As to Write the Matter Up.

Detroit Free Press. "Bicycles are a nuisance," he said to the city editor, coming up to his desk, after the manner of a man with a grievance.

"So?" inquired the editor, who rode one himself.

"Yes, they are. I've just been waiting for a chance to write them up."

"What's the matter with them?"

"Aw, they take up the street, scare horses, run people down, and do all sorts of unexpected things."

"Why don't you write them up, then, with a blast?"

"That's just it. I was coming across the street this morning and I saw two coming lickety-split from opposite directions. I was going to get out of the way at first, but I thought I had as much right as they had to the street, so I concluded to stand my ground and just make one of them run into me. I knew it was my opportunity to get even and I wasn't going to lose it."

"And you got run into, and now you want to blast the bicycle, do you?" inquired the editor, shoving a paper pad and pencil over to him.

"No, I don't," was the disgusted reply. "I dodged around there for ten minutes trying to get in the way of one of them, and, by Jupiter, six riders sailed by ten feet on either side of me and didn't touch a hair. That's why I say they are a nuisance."

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Women's Hands Distorted Out of All Symmetry.

Buffalo Courier.

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